

# The Waite Hill Police Beat



May – July 2019

## **Hello to all residents.**

Now that spring is here, we have to remember to take care with pedestrian traffic. Our Village has had an increase of bicyclists, walkers and joggers over the years. We have installed LED solar stop signs on Eagle Road at Hobart Road and Metcalf Road. We are trying to be diligent with the speeding vehicles on our roadways and vehicles that are not stopping at stop signs causing crashes. Recently, we investigated two serious crashes at the intersection of Eagle Road and Hobart Road. Due to the severity of both, we conducted a traffic survey to see if this intersection was in need of four-way stop signs. Our study, which includes requirements of the state, resulted in not meeting the elements so we decided to at least try and make both intersections more visible. We were able to utilize a grant for all the new signs.

I know I have been very redundant about the increase with residents receiving scam letters in the mail, via email, and by telephone. If you are the recipient of anything suspicious, please do not hesitate to contact the police department for help verifying the legitimacy of any communications. Again, one of the biggest scams is the threatening IRS calls. Also, there has been an increase of individuals posing as utility workers showing up at your door stating that they need to conduct a service at your residence and try to gain access to your home. If you have this happen, call us immediately.

**As a reminder, our surrounding communities are experiencing multiple thefts and break-ins, so please be diligent in keeping your vehicle and home locked. The best deterrents are alarm systems and well-lit properties. Motion lights seem to help when you have them at the four corners of your home.**

**Note\* On May 11<sup>th</sup>, Hobart Road will be closed to regular vehicular traffic from Eagle Road to South Lane for a special event between the hours of 4:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.; however, emergency vehicles will have access. Any resident that lives within the closure will also have access.**

## **Service Department**

I would like to personally commend our service department personnel as they diligently work to keep Waite Hill what it is today. Recently, they have been working on the village signs to bring them back from their weathered state. These signs have been posted at our boundaries since the 1940's and they were able to bring them back to life. As you know, our service department members have many other tasks which require them to be on the roadways so we need to remember to slow down and move over for them as you do with emergency vehicles.



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## Document Shredding

We are continuing with document shredding from “Shred It” this year. They will be here at Town Hall on July 20<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 9:00 – 11:00 am. The truck will be located in the front parking lot. Please pull your vehicle in the front parking lot and you will be assisted.

## “Village Events and other save the Dates”

August 17<sup>th</sup>, 12 noon – 2:00 p.m. – Village picnic and car show. Remember you can bring any vehicle you want, new or old. There was a very nice turnout last year and I am hopeful that we will have even more participants this year.

October 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Halloween party. We are always looking for new ideas for our Halloween party so if you are interested in being part of the event, please give us a call.

We will be sending out mailings for both events.

Please remember, if you notice anything that does not look right or looks suspicious, please contact us. The best way to reach an officer is through the dispatcher at 440-942-1660. If it is an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

**The Waite Hill Village Police Department, as always, looks forward to serving the community. Your safety and security is always our concern!**

Respectfully submitted,

Keith A. DeWitt, Chief of Police